New Cadet Programs tests take effect April 1st



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Why update Cadet Program tests?

As with any educational program, the cadet curriculum evolves. For tests to be valid measures of a cadet's comprehension, they periodically need to be updated as textbooks and other CAP publications are revised.

In this case, we revised three tests because the "old" Phase I&II aerospace textbook, *Aerospace Flight of Discovery*, became obsolete this year. Also, CAPR 52-16, *Cadet Program Management*, introduced a comprehensive exam for Phase I, thereby bringing that Phase into line with the others and necessitating the new CAPT 60, *Wright Brothers Comprehensive Exam*.

Also, every few years we update cadet tests to maintain the tests' integrity.

Moreover, testing officers like you have told us that the various errata sheets and memos we have used to update tests are easily misplaced. Therefore, the best way to update cadet tests is by providing your unit with new master test booklets as the curriculum evolves.

Please assure your cadets that they will in no way be at a disadvantage because of these "new" tests. Actually, the revisions ensure that cadets are tested on the appropriate materials using educationally-sound methods.

How should you handle obsolete tests?

As shown in the table below, three tests are made obsolete by these "new" tests. On April 1st, destroy all CAPTs 61 (Jan 01) and CAPTs 64 and 65 (Jan 02) that you have in your inventory.

Simple Test Instructions. See page 2 of each test booklet for simple directions on how to administer and score the tests.

Simplicity

Questions? Your wing Director of Cadet Programs will gladly help if you have questions about cadet tests. If the problem remains unresolved, contact the HQ CAP Cadet Programs Directorate at 334.953.4304 or email cpca@capnhq.gov.

When should cadets start using these tests?

For your convenience we've sent you these tests early, but do not begin using them until they take effect on 1 April 2003.

How can you be sure your tests are current?

Careful readers of CAPR 52-16 will notice that test versions are specified in chapter two. While those citations were correct at the time of publication some months ago, obviously the tests enclosed in this mailing and listed in the table below supersede the versions mentioned in that chapter. Because we were able to complete our planned revision of these tests much earlier than anticipated, we are releasing them to you now.

We know that as testing officers you want a simple way to check whether you have the correct test version in your inventory. For your convenience we have included a quick-reference chart on the reverse of this page. The most current tests will always be listed on our website: visit www.cap.gov, click "Cadet Programs" and "Testing Officer's Quick Reference."

What else is in the works?

We are actively developing a new CAPT 16-2 leadership achievement test and revising *Leadership*: 2000 and Beyond to remove content that refers to "old" program rules.

Additionally, we have updated the Spaatz Award exams. State Directors will administer the multiple-choice Spaatz tests on-line to cadets. This will allow the cadet to receive their score instantly, plus enable us to evaluate and revise test questions as needed. More details will be announced in the April Cadet Programs Today.

The Spaatz exam and the leadership achievement tests require more time, effort, and resources to develop than the four tests enclosed in this mailing. Therefore, rather than hold-up the tests that are ready for your use, we've shipped them to you now.

Test No.	Test Title	Supersedes	Current Version	Master Booklets Enclosed*
60	Wright Brothers Award Comprehensive Exam	n/a — new	Apr 03	2
61	Aerospace Dimensions Achievement Tests	Jan 01	Apr 03	2
64	Mitchell Award Comprehensive Exam	Jan 02	Apr 03	2
65	Earhart Award	Jan 02	Apr 03	2

^{*} You may make a reasonable number of copies. Secure and inventory per CAPR 50-4.

TESTING OFFICER'S QUICK REFERENCEThis table lists only Cadet Program written exam requirements. Additional promotion requirements apply. See CAPR 52-16 for details.

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Updates shown in red

Achievement	Leadership Laboratory	Aerospace Education	
1	Leadership 2000 and Beyond, Chapter I CAPT 16-2 (Dec 93, Errata memo Jun 99) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score	No test required	
2	Leadership 2000 and Beyond, Chapter 2 CAPT 16-2 (Dec 93, Errata memo Jun 99) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score	Aerospace Dimensions: complete module tests in any order CAPT 61 (Apr 03) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score.	
3	Leadership 2000 and Beyond, Chapter 3 CAPT 16-2 (Dec 93, Errata memo Jun 99) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score	Aerospace Dimensions: complete module tests in any order CAPT 61 (Apr 03) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score.	
Wright Bros. Award	Leadership 2000 and Beyond, Chapters I-3 CAPT 60 (Apr 03) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 80% passing	No test required.	
4—7	Leadership 2000 and Beyond, Chapter 4-7 respectively CAPT 16-2 (Dec 93, Errata memo Jun 99) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score	Aerospace Dimensions: complete module tests in any order CAPT 61 (Apr 03) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score.	
8	Essay and speech in lieu of a written test. See CAPR 52-16 paragraph 2-7e for details.	No test required.	
Mitchell Award	Comprehensive leadership and aerospace exam on all of the above material. CAPT 64 (Apr 03) Closed-book test. 90-minute time limit. 80% passing score		
9—11	Leadership 2000 and Beyond, Chapter 8-10 respectively CAPT 16-2 (Dec 93, Errata memo Jun 99) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score	Aerospace: Journey of Flight: complete tests in any order CAPT 63 (Jan 01) Open-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score.	
Earhart Award	Comprehensive leadership and aerospace exam on all of the above leadership material and Aerospace Dimensions CAPT 65 (Apr 03) Closed-book test. 90-minute time limit. 80% passing score		
12-13	Leadership 2000 and Beyond, Chapter 11-12 respectively CAPT 16-2 (Dec 93, Errata memo Jun 99) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score	No test required.	
14-16	Leadership 2000 and Beyond, Chapter 13-15 respectively CAPT 16-2 (Dec 93, Errata memo Jun 99) Closed-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score	Aerospace: Journey of Flight: complete tests in any order CAPT 63 (Jan 01) Open-book test. Un-timed. 70% passing score.	
Eaker Award	Essay and speech in lieu of a written test. See CAPR 52-16 paragraph 2-9d for details.	No test required.	
Spaatz Award	The Spaatz Award Exams are administered by CAP-USAF personnel. See CAPR 52-16 paragraph 2-10 for details.		
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